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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1+2

Part B. for Nov. 1914

SUBJECT.

Y. A bills office Public Works Department

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1) From the Comptroller No 2664/16.8.36 d 10-12-13 for reasons stated
Suggests the desirability of enforcing the object of
journey being noted in the Y.A. bills office Chief Engr
& Supt E.g Engineers, as in the case in the Civil Dept.

2) To the Chief Engineer in Mysore & the Comptroller
No 7E 2267-8 d 28-11-14
Directs that in future the purpose of journeys shall
be entered in the TA journal of the Supt & Chief Engr.

G. E. S. 58 & States that the proposal regarding the limitation
of Road mileage is under consideration

Bdl
9/12/16

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NOTES.

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FILE HEADING.

Civil, of the PWD.

From Comptr

No. 9664 / 8836 Dated 10.12.13 Received

Diary No. 173	Enclos.	Spare Copies.	Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

to the desirability of enforcing the ob of the journey being noted in the of Engrs and Supdg Engrs bills, as is the in the Civil Dept, for reasons state

NOTES AND ORDERS.

The Comptr encloses copies of Correspondence that took place between the PWD Comptroller, the Chief Engr & the Secy to Govt PWD in the matter of certain

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mileage claims made by the Supr Engr NW Madhavarao for prolonged journeys of 517 miles claimed in the bill

2. According to the existing practice No objection of the journey need be noted in the bills of D PW, Offrs which is said to be in accordance with the British practice

3. The present proposal has arisen on account the unduly long marches made by the Supts Engr and evidently in Motor Car. This question of regulating these long marches in a day by placing certain restrictions on the award of T.A to the Offrs in the Civil Dept has discussed some months back and the matter is pending final orders with the Dewan - The Comptr

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opinion is that some rules must be brought to force as regards these Swift journeys in addition to the object of the journey being inserted in P.W.D. bills.

Sub for orders.

PRW SW 23.12.13

4. Please inform parties that the P.W.D. code or other rules therein require that prior sanction should be given to the purpose of the journey.

S. Mills.

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5. From the form book it is seen that the subordinate should give the purpose of the journey, and when asked by the audit office they cannot claim exemption that as they are not bound to give the purpose of the journey in their journals they are not bound to disclose them to the audit office when specially asked.

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Under existing orders the audit office can challenge claims as often challenged but if reasons are not given therefor no objection by the audit office to disallow the claim although there

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6. Miller seems to say that there

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8 with reference to abrogate the practice at present Chief Engineers should furnish details when asked for by the audit office

Secy
6/1.14

7 / (1) I am for introducing the civil Deptt practice into the P.W.D also and requiring that the information should be always noted.

(2) Asstt Secy will please deal with the last para of the paper under disposal & note as to how the matter exactly stands.

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Sub?

9 As regards para (2) of the Finl Sec?'s note, the file therein referred to is in the Devans Office.

PRO 2.2.14 SW 10 Please see at the same time as the papers relating to the question of Bonuses.

11 Secy
6/2/14

Devan.

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13 The papers relating to the question of

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regulating travelling allowances for motor car journeys were taken by P. R. Venkatramia of Branch II for reference, & have not been sent back. They may also be kindly sent

Assistant Secretary, Financial Br. 16.3.14

17.3.14

S & A 12 (Limited)

15) The referred file referred to which was sub? to the D? Sec? has been obtained & submitted

(PRV 18.3.14) Dewan's Office)

19.3.14

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19.3.14.

1) I agree that the object of the journey should be stated when asked for by the Audit office.

Please circulate to Members of Council.

I am inclined to think that some amendment of the general rules regarding journeys by motor is necessary. Perhaps the suggestion made by the First Member that the mileage may be reduced after a certain distance has been travelled, may be further discussed.

15.6.14. RC

Subd. General Secretary's favour of ordering circulation

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The papers may well be destroyed unless at a meeting of the Council they are called for.

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I agree with the Dewan.

23.6.14

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 333rd **Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at** Bangalore **on the** 9th September **1914.**

5. Subject. - (Clause xiii of the Schedule).

Proposal to enforce the condition that the object of the journey should be stated in the travelling allowance bills of the Chief Engineer and the Superintending Engineers; and

the question of amending the general rules regulating the travelling allowance for rapid journeys by motor.

OPINION OF COUNCIL

The Chief Engineer and the Superintending Engineers may be required to state the object of journeys in the travelling allowance bills.

The question of amending the general rules regulating the travelling allowance for rapid journeys by motor, specially motor cycle, may be considered in consultation with select Heads of Departments and Deputy Commissioners.

(Sd.) M.Visvesvaraya

Dewan of Mysore.

" Extract "

D.M. Narasinga Rao,

Offg. Secretary to Government.

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24 To the Assistant Secretary, Br. II for favour of a draft Submission Note at an early date.

Draw 11/9

Sub° with a draft note.
M Gen°)
PRW) 14/9
12.9.14

21 A draft Submission Note is put up.

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18-9-14

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Draw a g Rao
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Submitted to His Highness.

In his letter No. 2664/E.836, the Comptroller raises the question whether (1) it is not desirable to insist on the object of journeys and halts being noted in the Travelling Allowance journals of the Chief&Superintending Engineers as is done in the travelling allowance bills of all officers of the Civil Department and (2) whether a rule may not be introduced restricting the road mileage ordinarily admissible for each day for rapid journeys by motor car.

2. Under the rules of the Public Works Department the column "objects of journeys, &c" in the travelling allowance journals of Chief and Superintending Engineers need not be filled. At present there is no limit to the mileage which an officer can claim for a day for a swift journey by motor.

3. At first I noted that the object of the journey should be stated when asked for by the Audit office and that some amendment of the general rule regarding journeys by motor was necessary and perhaps the suggestion of the First Member in regard to the reduction of the mileage after a certain distance was travelled, might be further discussed.

4. The matter was considered in Council, whose opinion is -

(1) that the Chief Engineer and the Superintending Engineers may be required to state the object of journeys in the travelling allowance bills; and

(ii)

(ii) that the question of amending the general rules regulating the travelling allowance for rapid journeys by motor, specially motor cycle, may be considered in consultation with select Heads of Departments and Deputy Commissioners.

5. The proposals of the Council may be approved.

M. Visvanaya -
20. 00 1914-

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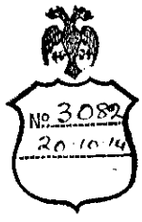
Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja.



Subject.

Question of the Chief and Superintending Engineers noting the object of their journeys in their travelling allowance bills, and the introduction of a rule for regulating travelling allowance for rapid journeys by motor car.

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Order.

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23/10/14

Secretary
23/10/14

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Draft order put up.

PRN 26.10.14

Please put up this draft to day
29/10

31 This draft put up

PRN 27.10.14 (Reserv)

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Dy Comptr

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Is A in draft all right? I think there are columns already but they are not filled up in the case of S. & Ch. Supts?

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31 There is a col for noting purpose & powers & halts in this form of journal in use - The Second Sentence of the draft order may be omitted -

31.10.14

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Please see correction in draft

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Draft approved by 1st member.
RR. 19.11.14.

2. To, the Chief Engineer in Mysore
the Comptroller
No Fd.2267-8 of 28.11.14
Govt. direct that in future the purpose of journeys + halts be entered in the T. A. Journals of the Chief & Supdg Engrs. + State that the Second proposal regarding the limiting of road mileage is under Consideration

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It is requested that in future communications on the subject, the No. and date of this letter, and the distinguishing letters below the number as given opposite, may be quoted. All communications should be addressed as follows:—Comptroller, Mysore Public Works and Railway Branch, Bangalore.

No. 2664
E 836
Enclosures 3

MYSORE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
CENTRAL OFFICE OF ACCOUNTS,

Dated Bangalore, the 10th December 1913.

FROM

J. S. CHAKRAVARTI, ESQ., M.A., F.R.A.S., etc.,
Comptroller to the Government
of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Public Works and Railway Branch.

To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Financial Department,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith for information a copy of letter No. 2657/E 836 dated the 6th December 1913 to the Chief Engineer of Mysore. In the circumstances explained in the letter it is desireable to insist on the object of journeys and halts being noted in the journal of the Chief Engineer and Superintending Engineers. In the absence of this information, the audit office is not in a position to understand the claims preferred or apply the audit rules. In the Civil Department, the travelling allowance bills of all officers including the very highest furnish this important piece of information so necessary for the proper audit of claims and also for preventing avoidable correspondence regarding the doubts which the audit office is naturally led to entertain in the course of its work and for clearing which it has naturally to resort to correspondence leading to delay in audit and payment of travelling allowances.

Copies of

Copies of correspondence on this subject between this office and the Chief Engineer which took place in 1912 are also enclosed.

I understand that some proposals for restricting the road mileage which will ordinarily be admissible for each day for rapid journeys by motor are under the consideration of Government. In my opinion the sooner such a rule is introduced, the better.

I have the honour to be,

S i r,

Your most obedient servant,

J Chakravarti

Comptroller,

P.W.& Railway Branch.

C.H.T.

24/13

Enclosure No. 2 to 3 (3)

Letter No.E.837 dated the 8th December 1913, from the Comptroller, to the Government of Mysore, Public Works and Railway Branch, to the Chief Engineer to the Government of Mysore, Bangalore.

I have the honour to bring to your notice some points relating to the travelling allowance claimed by Mr.Madhava Rao, Superintending Engineer, Northern Circle, for October 1913 countersigned by you with a view to obtain further information necessary for auditing the bill

2. On the 1st October 1913, Mr.Madhava Rao has made a road journey of 72 miles from Shimoga to Konehalli. These two places are connected by rail and if the Officer's object was to attend to any work at Konehalli, the whole journey could have been performed by rail. If however, the object was road inspection, it may kindly be stated if inspection of 72 miles of road on one day has been admitted by you. The purpose of journey is not mentioned and in its absence the audit office is not in a position to understand the claim preferred and in the ordinary course and with the particulars now noted in the journal, only railway fare is admissible for the journey under consideration.

3. On the 2nd October, Mr.Madhava Rao has made a road journey of 83 miles from Tiptur to Bangalore. These stations are also connected by rail and the necessity for the road journey is not clear. Bangalore District is not included in the Circle of this Officer's duties and there could have been no road inspection in respect of the road march lying within that District. As the officer has not apparently stopped at any intermediate place between these two stations, the object of the journey was only returning to head quarters and not work at any such intermediate place. Here again, only railway fare is admissible with the particulars of claim as now given in the journal.

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4. Attention is invited to the particulars of journeys made from 19th to 31st October. The officer had apparently to attend to some work at Jog, Talguppa, Sagar, Shimoga and Shikarpur on these days, but within the short period of twelve days he has visited Jog seven times, Talguppa seven times, Sagar three times, Shimoga twice, and Shikarpur once and the consequence is a correspondingly high claim to road mileage. The total distance ~~thus~~ travelled on these days amounts to 357 miles and the total of all the road marches for which mileage is claimed in the whole bill comes to 517 miles. In the absence of purpose of journey, it is difficult to understand claims to such frequent journeys to the same places and this aspect of the claims is brought to your notice with the request that you may be so good as to inform this office of the claims to mileage as preferred may be passed.

The journal is herewith returned for reference.

"C O P Y"

for Examiner,
Records Section.

C.H.T.

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Letter No.1216/E 407 dated the 1st November 1911, from the Comptroller, Public Works and Railway Branch, to the Secretary to the Government of Mysore, Public Works Department, Bangalore.

Under the rules of the Public Works Department, the column of "objects of each journey etc" in the travelling allowance journals of Chief and Superintending Engineers need not be filed up. The rule in the Civil Department is different and the purpose of each journey or halt has to be given in the travelling allowance bills of all officers without any exception. The purpose of journey or halt is an important item of information in a Travelling Allowance Bill and would be of much help to the audit office in understanding the claims preferred and in applying the rules concerned. In this connection, reference is invited to Government Order No.Fl.1173-215/ S & A 133-08-1 dated the 1st September 1908 regarding the functions of the countersigning and audit offices in respect of travelling allowance charges. In these circumstances, I have the honour to suggest the desirability of specifying the purpose of journey or halt in the journals of the Chief and Superintending Engineers also, if you see no objection.

"C O P Y"

for Examiner,
Records Section.

C.H.T.

E.C.(S.) No. 116/1913

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Letter No.343/2586 dated the 1st April 1912, from the Secretary to the Government of Mysore, Public Works Department, to the Comptroller, Public Works Branch, Bangalore.

Adverting to your letter No.1216/E 407 dated the 1st November 1911 suggesting, for consideration, the desirability of the Chief and the Superintending Engineers specifying the object of each journey or halt in their journals, I have the honour to observe that, while the instructions laid down in the official Memorandum No.Fl. 1173-215 S & A 133-08-1 dated the 1st September 1908 may be followed by the District or Divisional officers in order to enable the controlling officers to judge of the admissibility or otherwise of the claims put forward in their journals, it will answer no useful purpose if they are to be enforced in the case of Provincial officers.

For, in almost every case, "Inspection of works or sites", "examination of proposals on the spot" and the like, would be the remarks written in the column intended for the purpose and their vagueness cannot be lessened otherwise than by entering into details. The range of the works usually comprised in the inspections of the Chief and Superintending Engineers is so extensive that it would be quite impossible for them to note all the inspections carried out in the small space available in the journal. If only a few salient items are entered, it would give no adequate idea of the work done during the journeys.

In these circumstances, I am of opinion that the practice followed in British Provinces in this respect may continue to be in force in Mysore as heretofore.

"C O P Y"

Greyfriars.
8 Examiner.
Records Section.

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Diary No. of letter replied to

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

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READ—

Letter No. 2664 & E. 836 10.12.13, from the Comptr. to Govt., suggesting the desirability of introducing rules requiring Chief & Supdg. Engrs. entering in their J.A journals the purpose of each journey or halt, as in the case of Officers

over.

Date of issue 28—11—14

Signed by W Sharmanna

ORDER THEREON.—No.

SUBJECT.

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of the Civil Depts, as in the absence of this information the Audit Office finds it difficult to audit travelling allowance charges, and (2) restricting the ordinary road mileage admissible for a day for rapid journeys by motor

Order thereon:- No H 2267-8
dd 28th November 14

The Govt. of H.H. the Maharaja agree with the first suggestion in the letter read above and are pleased to direct that the purpose of journeys and halts be entered in future in the travelling allowance journals of Chief and Supt Engrs.

The Comptr P.W.D. & R.'s will arrange to open

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a column for the purpose in the printed form of the Journal

2 The Second proposal viz, the introduction of a rule limiting road mileage for rapid journeys by motor is under the consideration of Govt and Separate orders will issue on it.

W/19/14

To

19/11/14

Fin Sec
29/10

The Chief Engineer
Comp

PRD
29.10.14

GPB—12,000—15-2-13.